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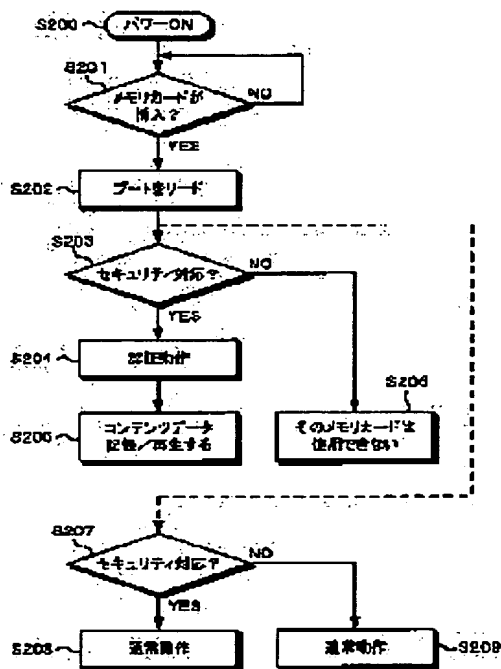Priority number : 11099948   Priority date : 07.04.1999   Priority country : JP

(54) MEMORY DEVICE AND DATA PROCESSOR AND ITS METHOD

(57)Abstract:
PROBLEM TO BE SOLVED: To instantaneously decide
whether or not a memory device has a new function
such as a security function.
SOLUTION: When the power source of equipment is
turned on, whether or not a memory card is inserted is
decided, and a book block in the memory card is read (a
step S202). Whether or not the inserted memory card is
corresponding to security is decided by referring to
identification information in the boot block (a step S203).
When the memory card is corresponding to security (a
step S203), a certifying operation is executed (a step
S204), and the recording/ reproduction of contents data
is executed after the establishment of certification (a
step S205). When the memory card is not corresponding
to security, the invalidity of the memory card is
announced (a step S206). When the equipment is not
corresponding to security, a normal operation is
executed to the memory card even when the decided
result of a step S207 is positive or negative (steps S208
and S209).

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